

# Local Markets:

The Kenya's shilling remains stable against the dollar.

Today's expected USD/KES trading range is 128.25/129.55

#### Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	128.25	129.55			
GBP/KES	169.35	170.85	GBP/USD	1.3175	1.3243
EUR/KES	149.00	150.20	EUR/USD	1.1590	1.1657
INR/KES		1.4700	USD/INR	88.25	87.95
			AUD/USD	0.6575	0.6612
			Commodities		
			Gold	4002.20	3953.46
			<b>Brent Crude</b>	64.58	64.64

### Benchmark Rates:

Tenor	Current	Previous	
91 Days	7.8095%	7.8290%	
182 Days	7.9000%	7.8650%	
364 Days	9.3404%	9.3467%	
KES INFLATION	4.60%	4.50%	
KES CBR	9.50%	9.75%	
FED RATE	4.00%	4. 25%	
ECB RATE	2.40%	2.65%	
BOE RATE	4.00%	4.25%	
RBI RATE	5.50%	6.00%	

#### Top News

<u>Oil</u>: Oil prices eased on Friday, heading for a third straight monthly decline, as a stronger dollar and weak China data capped gains while rising supply from major producers globally offset the impact of Western sanctions on Russian exports

Asia-Pacific markets: Asian stock markets were mixed on Friday, with Japan and South Korea extending record rallies on tech sector gains, while Chinese shares fell after weak factory activity data underscored ongoing economic headwinds.

## International Markets

<u>USD</u>: The U.S. dollar inched lower Thursday, giving back some of the overnight gains as traders digested the latest Federal Reserve rate decision as well as the U.S.-China trade talks.

**GBP:** GBP/USD fell again on Thursday, grinding down toward the 1.3100 handle and tipping into six-month lows at 1.3116. The Pound Sterling (GBP) continues to shed weight against the US Dollar (USD) and is down over 2% against the Greenback through the month of October alone.

**EUR:** The EURUSD pair attracts some dip-buyers during the Asian session on Friday and, for now, seems to have snapped a two-day losing streak back closer to the monthly low, around the 1.1550-1.1540 horizontal support. Spot prices, however, lack bullish conviction and currently trade around the 1.1575 region, up less than 0.10% for the day.

INR: The Indian rupee edged lower in early trading on Friday as bearish sentiment continued to weigh on the currency, though the risk of central bank intervention kept speculators cautious. The rupee was at 88.7375 as of 10:45 a.m. IST, down slightly from its close at 88.6950 in the previous session. The currency is hovering near its all-time low of 88.80 hit last month.

Source: Reuters.

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